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The Shepherd's Voice

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Words from Pastor Larson

We are living in anxious, chaotic times. It is easy to feel overwhelmed. It is tempting to want to do something, anything, to make the anxiety go away quickly. One of the most helpful things we can do in the midst of all the anxiety is to take a breath. This can help us to connect with God who breathes new life and peace into all of creation and into each of us.

God knows something about chaos. In the beginning, when earth was just a formless, chaotic void, the breath of God swept over the face of the waters and God created life (Genesis 1). God can also work with messiness. In the beginning, God got down in the dirt, formed humans from the dust of the ground and breathed into our nostrils the breath of life (Genesis 2). And God is still breathing life. As Psalm 104 proclaims: "When you send forth your spirit (your breath) they are created; and you renew the face of the earth."

God created us to breathe deeply the breath of life, to live with God in trust and gratitude. But all too often, our lives and our breaths become anxious, shallow and rapid. Without deep breaths, we become tense and don't even realize it. We struggle to be present, to look beyond ourselves; we become overwhelmed by chaos. There is a direct correlation, between rapid, shallow breathing and rapid, shallow thinking. There are times when it feels like our whole world is engaged in rapid, shallow breathing and rapid shallow thinking.

The issues facing us all require creative, deep reflection rather than quick, knee jerk responses. Yet our instant communication, constantly wired, 24-hour news cycle world makes it hard to take a step back, take a breath and explore possibilities. We become collectively afraid and angry. We do things that lead to violence and death, like crucifying Jesus. We kill the Word, the breath of the very God who speaks and breathes life. Yet the creative, life giving power of God cannot be stopped. The Word and Breath of God overcame all the forces of death to live again. When all seemed lost and chaotic, the risen Christ breathed on the disciples and said, "receive the Holy Spirit" (John 20). That same spirit, that same breath of God, now lives in us. This Spirit intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words (Romans 8). It also gives what we need to be part of God's ongoing creative work of renewal and recreation in our world. So, let's all take a deep breath. You might want to try this simple breath prayer:

Imagine breathing in all that is of God.

Then, as you exhale, imagine letting go of all the keeps you from knowing God's peace:

Breathe in trust . . . let go of anxiety.

Breathe in love . . . let go of fear.

Breathe in peace . . . let go of conflict.

Breathe in wholeness . . . let go of fragmentation.

Breathe in rest . . . let go of weariness.

Peace to you, Pastor Amy

Council President's Message

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Where has summer gone? It was a beautiful one and I'm thankful for that. It was also a busy one for many of us. The Good Shepherd leadership teams have been exceptionally busy.

The SET (Space Exploration Taskforce) has conducted many interviews with congregation members about our church facilities and how they meet or fall short of our needs. SET has pulled common themes together and will share these themes at the adult forum on September 10. They will take your feedback at the forum and will make specific recommendations about building updates to the council later this fall. Stay tuned!

The Council reviewed several options to consider to help further fund our collective mission. Some of these new revenues will be used to expand on the mission we already have while others will be used to insure that our facilities present deep hospitality to guests, new members, youth, and long-standing members. Following several proposals, the Council moved to hire GSB (Gronlund-Sayther-Brunkow) of Burnsville, Minnesota to help us increase our stewardship offerings. It is hoped through these increased offerings that we can augment existing program offerings, mission, and renewal of our church spaces. The Council, the Stewardship Committee, and some additional church members met with Pete Reuss, our GSB consultant, for initial discussions. The Stewardship Committee, aided by these additional volunteers, will spearhead our "Stewardship for All Seasons" efforts later this fall. Again, stay tuned!

The Good Shepherd Reformation Grove Committee (myself, Ed Epperly and Jane Kemp) are pleased to announce that we have received a \$2,000 Depot Outlet grant and a \$5,030 Trees Forever (Black Hills Energy) Grant to help fund the purchase and planting of our GS Reformation Grove! While we are still working on additional grant funding, we hope to have the Groves planted prior to October 31st: the 500th Anniversary of Martin Luther's thesis which sparked the Protestant Reformation. We will also have 26 trees for congregation members who may wish to plant them at their homes. Please contact a member of our committee if you might be interested. Additionally, we're going to have a lot of sod if somebody needs some! Watch the website and weekly newsletter for additional information about the actual planting of these 63 trees and bushes. We'll need volunteers!

While summer can often be a sleepy time for congregations, as people leave town for vacations, your Good Shepherd leadership teams (and Pr. Amy and Pr. Marion) have been busy. Many good things to celebrate and a season well spent!

Peace!

Jim Fritz, President

BROADCAST SCHEDULE CHANGE: Now that Luther College is back in session, Good Shepherd Sunday services will be broadcast at **11 a.m. each Sunday** except when Luther is on break. On those days, the service will be broadcast LIVE at 9:30 a.m. The broadcast schedule will be printed on the Ministry Team Schedule and will be noted in Sunday bulletins and on the online calendar.





SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

As we kick off Sunday School,
the kids will lead the worship service.

All kids are invited to participate.

Kids meet at 8:30am in Fellowship Hall to
prepare for the 9:30am service.

**BRING YOUR BACKPACKS, WE'LL DO A
BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS IN WORSHIP.**

Following worship the kids will have a fun day in
their newly updated classrooms!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH IN THE 2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR

YOUTH FORUM

What: Sara Hanssen, Dustin Cote and Dan Bellrichard will lead discussions of current events and the scripture readings they just heard in worship.

When: Sundays at 10:50am beginning September 10

Where: Good Shepherd Annex

Ages: Middle School and older

YOUTH BLASTS

What: Youth Blasts are fun and energy-filled retreats, staffed by summer camp counselors, where youth have the opportunity to go on hikes, play games, make crafts, trek deeper into faith with their small groups, and enjoy connecting and engaging with one another in a community centered around learning and growing as Christian leaders who will change the world.

When: two options for different ages, we could do one or both depending on interest

Grades 3-6 Friday, November 3rd, 7:00PM- Saturday, November 4th, 4:00PM

Grades 6-8 Friday, November 10th 7:00PM – Saturday, November 11th, 4:00PM

Where: Good Earth Village, Spring Valley, MN (1 hour from Decorah)

Cost: \$55

Ages: Grades 6-8

URBAN IMMERSION SERVICE TRIP in Minneapolis

Coming up in the winter for 7th-12th graders, watch for details

RETREATS AT CAMP EWALU

Coming up in the spring for 3rd-6th graders and 5th-8th graders, watch for details

ELCA YOUTH GATHERING

What: Every three years, 30,000 high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. There is interactive learning, worship, service and FUN! Good Shepherd will travel with First Lutheran, Decorah Lutheran and other area churches.

When: June 27-July 1, 2018

Where: Houston, TX

Ages: Youth entering 8th-12th grade this year

Cost: Approximately \$850 We will do fundraising at Good Shepherd. A \$250 deposit is due by mid-October.

September Adult Forums

Fall is near, and that means that we will be offering educational opportunities for people of all ages. We hope you'll be able to join us for the Adult Forum presentations on September 10, 17 and 24. The forums begin at 10:50 and conclude by noon, taking place at the Narthex conference table.

Sept. 10th – Space Exploration Task Force (SET)

Here at Good Shepherd, "how do our buildings and spaces help us serve God and each other? How could they help us serve God and each other in new ways?" The Space Exploration Taskforce (SET) spent the summer asking these questions of groups within our congregation. Join us for Adult Forum on September 10th to hear what SET learned from these "exploration" conversations, and to share your perspective on how Good Shepherd's space supports us in our mission.

Sept. 17th – Rev. Dr. Thomas Shattauer: Luther's Liturgical Revolution: Its Enduring Impact

Martin Luther's proposals for liturgical reform together with his sacramental thinking made an impact upon the understanding and practice of Christian worship that endures into the present. The workshop will explore the ritual, theological, and musical dimensions of this legacy in relation to Luther's fundamental aim that the practice of worship nurture faith (trust) in God and love for the neighbor. The question will be posed: what is the future for this legacy? Led by Thomas H. Schattauer, a Professor of Liturgics and Dean of the Chapel at Wartburg Theological Seminary.

Sept. 24th – Dr. Todd Green: Islamophobia and International Affairs: My Year at the State Department

Dr. Todd Green, associate professor of religion at Luther College, will join us for the adult forum on September 24 to share experiences and insights from his sabbatical year at the State Department. He will talk about the challenges of advising State Department employees and diplomats on Islamophobia and on engaging Muslim communities in Europe and elsewhere. He will also offer reflections on how the dramatic change in the political climate during his time there affected his work.

September Scriptures

Sunday, September 3 13th Sunday after Pentecost	Jeremiah 15:15-21 <i>God fortifies the prophet against opposition</i>	Psalm 26:1-8 <i>Your love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with you.</i>	Romans 12:9-21 <i>Live in harmony</i>	Matthew 16:21-28 <i>The passion prediction and rebuke to Peter</i>
Sunday, September 10 Rally Sunday Kids lead Worship	Isaiah 55:1-5 <i>Eat and drink that which truly satisfies</i>	Psalm 145:8-9,14-21 <i>You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.</i>		Matthew 14:13-21 <i>Christ feeding five thousand</i>
Sunday, September 17 15th Sunday after Pentecost	Genesis 50:15-21 <i>Joseph reconciles with his brothers</i>	Psalm 103: [1-7] 8-13 <i>LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy.</i>	Romans 14:1-12 <i>Accepting diversity in the community of faith</i>	Matthew 18:21-35 <i>A parable of forgiveness in the community of faith</i>
Sunday, September 24 16th Sunday after Pentecost	Jonah 3:10--4:11 <i>God's concern for the city of Nineveh</i>	Psalm 145:1-8 <i>The LORD is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.</i>	Philippians 1:21-30 <i>Standing firm in the gospel</i>	Matthew 20:1-16 <i>The parable of the vineyard workers</i>

September 2017 Ministry Team Schedule

DATE	LITURGY	USHER * Head Usher	FELLOWSHIP *Coordinator (F) Food Only
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 Broadcast 11:00 a.m.	ASST. MINISTER: Bob Naslund COMMUNION SERVER: Jerrine Jacobsen CANTOR: Jonathon Struve	1.* David Faldet 2. Karl Jacobsen GREETER: Jane Jakoubek ACOLYTE: Ann Naslund	1.*Deifelt/Streese 2. Lois Finanger 3. Naslunds 4. Faldets
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 Broadcast 11:00 a.m. RALLY SUNDAY	ASST. MINISTER: Youth COMMUNION SERVER: Jon Ailabouni CANTOR: Dennis Barnaal	1.*Linda Wolfs 2. Chris Hick GREETER: Jane Jakoubek ACOLYTE: Jack Norris	1. * Lois Finanger 2. Bev Nelson 3. Wanda Deifelt 4. Trudy Peterson
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 Broadcast 11:00 a.m.	ASST. MINISTER: Karl Jacobsen COMMUNION SERVER: Jon Christy CANTOR: Daniel Raney	1.*David Judisch 2. Rachel Faldet GREETER: Jerrine Jacobsen ACOLYTE: Addie & Oliver Bollinger	1. *Donna Bahr 2. Wanda Deifelt 3. Faldets 4. Harriet Hayes
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 Broadcast 11:00 a.m.	ASST. MINISTER: Jonathon Struve COMMUNION SERVER: Jon Christy CANTOR: Megan Buckingham	1.*David Judisch 2. Tom Buresh GREETER: Connie Buresh ACOLYTE: Ann Naslund	1.*Glenda Wuest 2. Diane Kruse 3. Donna Bahr 4. Laverne Ramsey(F)
SPECIAL EVENT Thursday, September 7 Aase Haugen Birthday Party Arrive 2:00 p.m.		Six 9X13 Cakes or 72 cupcakes, 2 Unfrosted Angel Food Cakes Birthday Cards with \$2 Program of Entertainment:	1.* 2. Joyce Epperly 3. Marilyn Rue

September Altar Guild

3rd - Judy Schoel, Ann Naslund; 10th and 17th - Jon and Janeen Christy; 24th - Judy Schoel, Ann Naslund.

2017 4TH QUARTER MINISTRY TEAMS (October – December)

Albert Anderson

Jutta Anderson

Marilyn Anderson

Dan Bellrichard

Eric Berg

Mike Blair

Sue Blair

Mike Bollinger

Jane Borelli

Jerry Bruce

Jim Buzza

Kathy Buzza

Cheryl Donlon

Ed Epperly

Joyce Epperly

David Faldet

Rachel Faldet

Bob Felde

Lois Finanger

Mark Finanger

Marie Freerking

Russ Freerking

Jim Fritz

Liz Fritz

Nate Furler

Tabita Green

Brad Hanson

Marion Hanson

Claude Hayes

Harriet Hayes

Liza Hicken

Steve Holland

Krista Holland

Hayley Jackson

John Jefferson

Bonnie Johnson

Chris Johnson

Choung Kavan

Kim Kavan

Lise Kildegaard

Midge Kjome

Wendy Kjome

Karl Knudson

Clara Knudson

Bob Larson

Jeri Laursen

Reg Laursen

Jon Lund

Bob Naslund

Ann Naslund

Glen Nelson

Trudy Peterson

Katie Prohaska

Marion Pruitt-Jefferson

Laverne Ramsey

Jason Rausch

Marilyn Rue

Cheryl Ruiz

David Shaffer

Rebecca Boehm Shaffer

Bev Sheridan

Marv Slind

Micky Slind

Luther Snow

Brian Solberg

Denise Solberg

Marty Steele

Germano Streese

Jonathon Struve

Jane Suntken

Denise Tapscott

Bobby Vrtis

Christy Vrtis

Lisa Zittergruen

Steve Zittergruen

Watch for 4th QTR Ministry
Team Signups in your inbox
just after the
Labor Day holiday
weekend!



Good Shepherd Announcements



8TH ANNUAL WELCOME FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS PICNIC

Sunday, September 10
5 - 6:30 p.m.

Good Shepherd will host its Welcome Friends and Neighbors Picnic on Sunday, September 10, a chance to celebrate community and enjoy fun, food, and good conversation! As in the past, the picnic will include lots of good local food, live music by local musicians, including the Good Shepherd Band, games for kids, and a marshmallow roast, and is free and open to all. A large tent will again provide shelter from sun or showers, and in the event of a heavy rain, the picnic will be held inside in the Fellowship Hall. Publicity will invite the Decorah community to the event, including the Luther College students, faculty, and staff. Signup sheets are also available in the narthex for people to bring food for the picnic's potluck and to volunteer for various jobs at the picnic. Or sign up online using SignUp Genius at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c48abaf2ea2f49-welcome1>. For additional information, go to <http://www.goodshepherddecorah.org/>, call the church office at 563-382- 3963, or email decorahgoodshepherd@gmail.com.

GRANTS RECEIVED FOR REFORMATION GROVE

Good Shepherd has been awarded two grants for the Reformation Grove, \$2,000 from the Depot Outlet and \$5,030.00 from Black Hills Energy, the Power of Trees program. The latter grant also will supply 26 trees for members to purchase at a reduced price. The goal is to plant the trees on the church property in October in commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Free sod will also be available for members. Volunteers will be needed for the planting before Reformation Sunday. The Reformation Grove Taskforce of Ed Epperly (chair), Jim Fritz and Jane Kemp is working with Scott Hervey of Pine Creek Landscapes and Shane Pinter of Pinter's Gardens and Pumpkins.



***Ever Singing* at Good Shepherd**

Join us **Friday, Sept. 22, 7:00 p.m.** for an ***Ever Singing*** concert with Mike & Sue Blair at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 701 Iowa Ave., Decorah. The concert will include a freewill offering to support flood relief and future ***Ever Singing*** recording work. Refreshments and fellowship will follow. Mike & Sue's performances feature a signature blend of music, stories and humor to celebrate the shared journey of faith and life. ***Ever Singing***, their first CD, is a collection of original work singing the story of struggles and grief transformed to blessings.



**Awaken your faith by helping with Sunday School!
Our kids need the wisdom of their elders and you can get the
chance to experience the joy and wonder of the children!**

Our Sunday School is growing and we need helpers. The teachers do all the prep and leadership. We are in need of other adults to be a second, supportive presence in the room. This requires just 40 minutes of your time a few times a year. Please sign up today using the SignUpGenius

Good Shepherd Announcements

NEW PAPER DIRECTORIES - An August 2017 update of the Good Shepherd Family Directory has been created. A copy was provided to all members without internet access at no charge. The Communications Subcommittee arranged for the distribution. A limited number of copies are available for those with internet access but who also desire a print version. Contact Jenny in the Church Office; a donation of \$5.00 to offset printing costs is appreciated. Notice of Directory updates are published in *The Shepherd's Voice*. The online version available on our website is continually updated and always is the most current version.

DIRECTORY UPDATES:

Jonathon Struve: new cell number

Haldis Kaasa: new address

Bev Nelson: new cell number

Beth Jones: new address and email

Please see the online directory for these updates or call the church office at 382-3996.

POSTCARDS: IMMIGRATION ISSUES SEPTEMBER 3

The Social Justice Committee asks for your help in contacting our U.S. Senators and Representatives concerning three bills before the Congress. The DACA 2017 Act would protect the young people who came to the U.S. with their parents as children and now need time to finish their education and begin a career. The RAISE Act would drastically change our national policy on immigration. Rather than family unification, it would be based on the immigrants' jobs, education, income and age. Finally, the Sanctuary act would remove local control of police concerning immigration enforcement. Postcards, pens and a sheet of information will be available during the Social Hour.

THANK YOU to Dan Raney, Midge Kjome and Don Berg for their faithful years of service on the adult forum sub-committee. Their terms ended May, 2017. The new adult forum sub-committee members are Dick Ylvisaker and Jutta Anderson and are led by Pr. Marion. Please let us know if you have suggestions for upcoming forums.

KINDERHAUS SCHEDULE CHANGE: This year's Preschool Program begins on September 5th. Kinderhaus will be offering an all day program this year which concludes each school day at **3 p.m.** Please be aware when you are scheduling meetings in the church building that, depending on the weather, there may be children in the hallways and classrooms at that end of the building.

BENEFIT VINTAGE BASEBALL GAME: Decorah's Driftless Dodgers will host the Menomonie Blue Caps (straight from the Field of Dreams) for a vintage baseball game at 1:00 pm on Saturday, September 16th. The game will be played at the open playing field on the lower campus of Luther College (northwest of the field house). This will be a benefit game, with donations going to the Decorah Free Clinic. ***The Good Shepherd Band will provide additional entertainment.*** Good Shepherd members Loyal Rue and Dan Bellrichard play for the Driftless Dodgers. Bring a lawn chair or a blanket and join in the fun. The Driftless Dodgers are sponsored by Java John's Coffee Shop and by Decorah Bank & Trust. For more information about the Decorah Free Clinic, search the web for "Decorah Free Clinic".

SAVE THE DATE: PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE AT GOOD SHEPHERD ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29. JOIN LOCAL ELCA CONGREGATIONS AS WE COME TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE THE 500TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION WITH THE REFORMATION FESTIVAL EUCHARIST, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 10:00 A.M., LUTHER COLLEGE CENTER FOR FAITH AND LIFE. REV. APRIL ULRING LARSON WILL SERVE AS PREACHER.

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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End of Summer Report

Wow! What an incredible summer! We want to first and foremost thank all volunteers for their donations of time, money, and effort. We can confidently say this summer was a success because of you. We met our financial goals for the year, but continue to accept donations for next year, which will help give us a jump-start to next summer's program. We look forward to continuing to serve the Decorah community.

The students and families who found their way to our program genuinely needed it. There was a solid group of children who used the program every single day of the week, every week of the summer. What a blessing for those who may not only suffer from food scarcity, but lack of other basic necessities as well.

There is also the peace of mind that this offered to many families. Many parents sent their children on bikes or walking, knowing they were getting a balanced meal while they were away at work. Others sent their summer nanny with their little ones which relieved the stress of families trusting teenagers to cook in the kitchen. One mom brought her two kids every day for the second half of the summer, knowing we would have gluten-free lunches. A grandma brought her four grandkids every day after swimming, commenting how hard it is to feed four kiddos on a fixed retirement budget. These stories are the stories that make this program worth it.

This summer, we served a total of 1,341 lunches. This averaged out to 28 lunches per day. We served daily from John Cline Elementary, as well as Freeport Park. We also served Crossroads summer school program. We utilized a total of 192 volunteer spots at Decorah Congregational UCC, Good Shepherd, and John Cline distribution sites.

We are thankful for the many churches and individuals that donated, as well as John Cline Elementary for building use, Rockweiler for the use of a refrigerator, and Sogo Snacks led by Dan Bellrichard, who donated beef bites to be served twice a week for the entire summer.

Thanks for all you do, Decorah! To Lunch Club!

Kids Lunch Club Team



Thank you to all who helped with our KRUMKAKE PROJECT. It was a very successful project with the added attendance of RAGBRAI participants. According to our Krumkake statistician, Doris Barnaal, we sold 4,613 traditional krumkake and 142 gluten free krumkake for a total of 4,755-wow!! This was 3,604 more than last year. We had many people who put in many hours on the project. Since we all put a lot of work into a successful krumkake project we will take a break and not have the Fall soup luncheon and Country store. We will reevaluate our current projects at our January meeting.

Another big thank you to all who contributed food and worked in the kitchen at our **Vacation Bible School.** The children were very excited to attend VBS and enjoyed the treats at the beginning of the event.

Again this year, we will be collecting for SCHOOL KITS AND BABY CARE KITS for LWR. City-wide garage sales are this month and if you are a garage sale shopper and need a project, gently used baby items are needed for our kits. See the WELCA tab on the Good Shepherd website.

School supplies are on sale right now so it is a good time to start stocking up. A donation box will be set up in the narthex.

SCHOOL KIT ITEMS NEEDED:



70 sheet wide or college-ruled notebooks	#2 unsharpened pencils
30 cm rulers	black or blue ballpoint pens
pencil sharpeners	16 or 24 count crayons
blunt scissors	2 ½ " erasers

UPCOMING EVENTS:

September 30: Upper Iowa Cluster 8 Fall Gathering, Springfield Lutheran Church.

November 4: LWR pickup, Olson explosives

SEPTEMBER CIRCLE SCHEDULE

9/5- Mary Circle - 4:00 p.m. - Joyce Becker hosts

9/12 - Anna Circle - 9:30 a.m. - Carol Hasvold hosts

9/13 - Miriam Circle - 2:00 p.m. - Carol Hasvold hosts

9/26 - CLA Circle - 7:00 p.m. - Ann Naslund hosts



∞ The Music Page ∞

A new year of music and worship!

Sing a new song with us this fall! The choir, band and handbell choir provide us with opportunities to sing God's praises and "join in the hymn of all creation." All three groups are open to all in our community. All ages and musical talents welcome. On the next page is a schedule of rehearsals and services. Below is a quick introduction to each of our ensembles. For more information, please contact Brooke Joyce, music director, at the church or via e-mail, wbjoyce3@gmail.com.



The choir is open to all members of our community, all ages and experiences welcome. We rehearse weekly and learn a variety of music. Typically, we sing for two Sunday services per month, and we make yearly trips to Aase Haugen and Wellington Place to sing for residents.



The handbell choir is open to all members of our community, all ages and experiences welcome. We rehearse twice and play for one service each month. Much of the music we play does not require any music reading ability and can be learned in a matter of minutes.



The Good Shepherd Band is a unique and vibrant part of our worship life. We rehearse weekly and play for 1-2 services each month, with yearly visits to area nursing homes and the occasional baseball game! All instrumentalists welcome—even non-brass players!

Music Schedule, Fall 2017

(always subject to change!)

9/10	Choir/Band	Gathering: Holcombe, "Simple Gifts" (Band) Offertory: "One Basket" (Choir/SS/Band) Postlude: Marlatt, "Siyahamba" (Band)
9/16	Band	Baseball game at Luther, 1:00 pm
9/17	Choir	Offertory: Ferguson, "Come Labor On" (Choir)
9/24	Band	Gathering: Keller, "American Hymn" (Band) Offertory: Purcell, "March and Anthem" (Band) Postlude: Purcell, "Canzona" (Band)
10/1	Handbells	Offertory: TBA
10/8	Choir	Offertory: Scott, "A Vineyard Grows" (Choir)
10/15	--	Special Music (?)
10/22	Band (Jim Fritz)	Gathering: Marlatt, "The Lord's My Shepherd" (Band) Offertory: Handel, "Largo" (Band) Postlude: Handel, "And the Glory of the Lord" (Band)
10/29	--	Service at CFL today
11/5	Choir	Offertory: Wesley, "Lead me, Lord" (Choir)
11/12	Handbells	TBA
11/19	Choir	Offertory: Hippen, "Psalm 199" (Choir)
11/26	Band	Gathering: Drummond, "Crown Him with Many Crowns" (Band) Offertory: Handel, "He Shall Purify" (Band) Postlude: Handel, "The Trumpet Shall Sound" (Band)
12/3	Choir	Offertory: Joyce, "Hear Us" (Choir)
12/10	Handbells	Offertory: TBA
12/17	Choir/Band	Offertory: Wagner/Grier, "Advent Cantic" (Band) Postlude: Handel, "For Unto Us" (Band)
12/24 (Chr.Eve)	Choir/Band	Band plays "Messiah" selections prior to service Choir sings "Little Lord" for service
12/31	Handbells	TBA

Choir rehearses weekly, Wednesdays 7-8 pm; on Sundays when choir sings, warm-up at 8:45
Band rehearses weekly, Wednesdays 8-9 pm; on Sundays when band plays, warm-up at 8:45
Handbell Choir rehearses at 8:45 on the morning we play, plus the previous Wednesday afternoon

All members/friends/guests at Good Shepherd are welcome to join each of these groups. For more information, please contact our music director, Brooke Joyce: 382-4452, or wbjoyce3@gmail.com.

September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Pickup Handbells 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship Hour 11:00 AM Radio Broadcast 4:30 PM Decorah Chorale rehearsal and potluck 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1:00 PM Friends of Recovery 6:00 PM AL/ANON 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:30 AM Men's Breakfast 6:00 PM SET meeting 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal 8:00 PM Band Rehearsal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recycle 10:00 AM Bible Study with Pastor 7:00 PM music group rehearsal 7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:15 AM Stewardship Committee meeting 1:00 PM Friends of Recovery 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship Hour 11:00 AM Radio Broadcast 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Office Closed 1:00 PM Friends of Recovery 6:00 PM AL/ANON 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kindergarten Year Begins 4:00 PM Mary Circle 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:30 AM Men's Breakfast 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal 8:00 PM Band Rehearsal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM NO Bible Study Today 5:00 PM Community Meal 7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1:00 PM Friends of Recovery 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rally Sunday 8:45 AM Choir/Band Practice 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship Hour 10:45 AM Sunday School 10:50 AM Adult Forum-Space Exploration Conversation 11:00 AM Radio Broadcast 5:00 PM Welcome Friends 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1:00 PM Friends of Recovery 6:00 PM AL/ANON 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30 AM Anna Circle 7:00 PM Stewardship Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:30 AM Men's Breakfast 9:30 AM Opportunity Homes 10:30 AM Aase Haugen Communion 2:00 PM Miriam Circle 4:30 PM Executive Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal 8:00 PM Band Rehearsal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recycle 10:00 AM Bible Study with Pastor 1:30 PM Travel Club 7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1:00 PM Friends of Recovery 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Choir Warmup 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship Hour 10:45 AM Sunday School 10:50 AM Forum: Thomas Schattauer 11:00 AM Radio Broadcast 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jenny out of the office 1:00 PM Friends of Recovery 6:00 PM AL/ANON 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 PM Council Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:30 AM Men's Breakfast 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:00 PM Confirmation Class 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal 8:00 PM Band Rehearsal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Bible Study with Pastor 5:00 PM Decorah Community Meal 7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous 7:30 PM Worship and Music Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1:00 PM Friends of Recovery 7:00 PM Ever Singing Concert with Mike and Sue Blair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM Luther Habitat for Humanity Pancake Breakfast
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